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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**E-FILED**

JANET SHALWITZ,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HEALTH INITIATIVES FOR YOUTH,  
RELiance STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, UNUM LIFE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF AMERICA, and DOES 1  
through 20.

Defendants.

CASE NO. CV 08 3672

**DEFENDANT UNUM LIFE  
INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
AMERICA'S DECLINATION TO  
PROCEED BEFORE A UNITED  
STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

**TO THE HONORABLE COURT AND THE INTERESTED PARTIES HERETO:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that defendants UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
OF AMERICA respectfully decline to proceed before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in this proceeding  
and request the matter be assigned to an United States District Court Judge.

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